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Applicants:

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For:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN IMPROVED

CONNECTION ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN A

SEMICONDUCTOR PELLET AND BASE SUBSTRATE

ELECTRODES (As Amended)

Art Unit:

2826

Examiner:

A. Williams

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 May 19, 2004

Sir:

In supplement to the Amendment filed October 23, 2003, Applicants are enclosing herewith a new Declaration and two Power of Attorney Forms signed by the inventors with regard to the above-identified Reissue application. This new Reissue Declaration provides a specific identification of an error by pointing out differences between the broadened new claim 26 and each of the independent device claims 1, 11, 14 and 22 of the original patent. It is also noted that this Declaration is signed by the inventors, rather than the Assignee, and that it includes a claim for foreign priority benefits, listed on the Supplemental Priority Data Sheet Form PTO/SB/02B. It is also noted that this Reissue Declaration includes reference to the Amendments filed on April 16, 2002 and October 23, 2003. Accordingly, entry

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of this Reissue Application Declaration and removal of the objections to the Declaration set forth in the June 23, 2003 Office Action is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 501.34189R00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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